REMARKS

The claims have been amended to clarify the subject matter and remove multiple dependencies. The amendments and newly added claim do not add any new matter within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. \$132.

Early action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

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MARKED-UP COPY OF CLAIM AMENDMENTS:

- (Amended) 15. Method according to [one of the claims 12 14]

 claim 12, characterized in that the strand of
 plastic material (20) is formed by forming means
 comprising at least one rotatable roller (24)
 having a circumferential profile substantially
 corresponding with the desired profile of the
 strand of plastic material (20) applied on the
 edge (14) of the workpiece (16).
- (Amended) 16. Method according to [one of the claims 12 14]

 claim 12, characterized in that the strand of

 plastic material (20) is formed by forming means

 comprising several rotatable rollers (24) arranged

 successively, the rollers (24) having different

 circumferential profiles such that the rollers

 (24) altogether form the strand of plastic

 material (20) applied on the edge (14) of the

 workpiece (16) in the desired profile.
- (Amended) 21. Plate-like workpiece, manufactured by means of an apparatus according to [one of claims 1 to 11 and/or by a method according to one of claims 12 to 20] claim 1, wherein on an edge (14) of the workpiece (16) a strand of plastic material (20)

is extruded, formed in a desired profile, and hardened, the formed strand of plastic material (20) being fixedly joint with said edge (14).

(Added) 23. Plate-like workpiece, manufactured by the method according to claim 12, wherein on an edge (14) of the workpiece (16) a strand of plastic material (20) is extruded, formed in a desired profile, and hardened, the formed strand of plastic material (20) being fixedly joint with said edge (14).

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5. Method according to claim 12, characterized in that the strand of plastic material (20) is formed

by forming means comprising at least one rotatable

roller (24) having a circumferential profile

substantially corresponding with the desired

profile of the strand of plastic material (20)

applied on the edge (14) of the workpiece (16).

Method according to claim 12, characterized in

that the strand of plastic material (20) is formed

by forming means comprising several rotatable

rollers (24) arranged successively, the rollers

(24) having different circumferential profiles

such that the rollers (24) altogether form the

strand of plastic material (20) applied on the

edge (14) of the workpiece (16) in the desired

profile.

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Plate-like workpiece, manufactured by means of an apparatus according to claim 1, wherein on an edge (14) of the workpiece (16) a strand of plastic material (20) is extruded, formed in a desired profile, and hardened, the formed strand of plastic material (20) being fixedly joint with



(Added)

said edge (14).



23. Plate-like workpiece, manufactured by the method according to claim 12, wherein on an edge (14) of the workpiece (16) a strand of plastic material (20) is extruded, formed in a desired profile, and hardened, the formed strand of plastic material (20) being fixedly joint with said edge (14).